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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Sir:

Responsive to the attached Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. §371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) ("Notice") mailed May 15, 2007, Applicants submit herewith an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application, along with a copy of the Notice as required.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the total fees due of \$640.00 to the deposit account of Hunton & Williams, Deposit Account Number 50-0206 as follows:

\$65.00 for the small entity surcharge as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.492(h); and

■ \$575.00 for additional claims fees (small entity).

Claims Remaining After the Preliminary	Highest Number		Fee		
Amendment Filed on September 22, 2006.	Paid For Previously	Extra	Large Entity	Small Entity	Amount
Number of Claims Total = 35	20	15	\$ 50.00	\$ 25.00	\$375.00
Number of Independent Claims = 5	3	2	\$ 200.00	\$ 100.00	\$200.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims \$ 360.00 \$ 180.00					0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEES DUE					

Applicants note that small entity status is claimed with the submission of the Statement filed herewith. A Supplemental Application Data Sheet reflecting this change is also filed concurrently herewith.

In the event any variance exists between the payment authorized and the fees as determined the U.S. Patent Office, please charge or credit any such variance to Deposit Account No. 05-0206.

By:

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/22/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/22/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 09/22/2006
- Copy of Annexes to the IPER filed on 09/22/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/22/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 09/22/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/22/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 09/22/2006
- Specification filed on 09/22/2006
- Claims filed on 09/22/2006
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DEADLINE	12-15-07
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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Additional claim fees of \$1150 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee. are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.

To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath
or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the
missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$1280 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$ 1150
 - \$400 for 2 independent claims over 3.
 - \$750 for 15 total claims over 20.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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